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LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Original) A vegetable chip, comprising: a substantially planar vegetable chip in a shape of a slice of bread having a minimum size of about eight square inches.

- 2. (Original) The vegetable chip of claim 1 wherein the chip is a potato chip or a corn chip.
- 3. (Original) The vegetable chip of claim 1, further comprising at least one of a salt, a flavor additive, a color additive, and a seasoning.
- 4. (Original) The vegetable chip of claim 1, wherein the chip is from about 0.025 to about 0.10 inches thick.
- 5. (Original) The vegetable chip of claim 1, further comprising at least one row of perforations extending from about one edge or corner to an opposite edge or corner.
- 6. (Original) The vegetable chip of claim 1, wherein the oil content is from about two percent to about forty percent.
- 7. (Original) A method for making a substantially planar potato chip in a shape of a slice of bread having a minimum size of about eight square inches, the method comprising: providing a potato dough; adding at least one additive to the dough; grinding a mixture of the dough and the at least one additive; extruding the mixture into a thin sheet; cutting the thin sheet into portions; and cooking the portions into chips.
- 8. (Original) The method of claim 7, further comprising a step of slicing potatoes about one-quarter inch thick to form the potato dough.

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9. (Original) The method of claim 7, further comprising steps of washing potatoes, peeling the potatoes, slicing the potatoes, blanching and drying the potatoes.

- 10. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein the step of drying the potatoes further comprises heating the potatoes.
- 11. (Original) The method of claim 10, further comprising cooling the potatoes after the step of heating.
- 12. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein the step of grinding results in formation of a gel.
- 13. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein the thin sheets are cut into portions via die-cutting.
- 14. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein the portions are cooked in a rack that keeps the chips substantially planar.
- 15. (Original) The method of claim 7, further comprising perforating the dough after the step of extruding.
- 16. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein the step of adding adds a flavor additive, a color additive, and a seasoning.
- 17. (Original) The method of claim 7, further comprising spraying a mixture of oil and at least one of salt, flavorings, seasonings and colorants onto the chips after the step of cooking the chips.
- 18. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein the step of cooking comprises frying or baking the chips.

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19. (Original) A method for making a substantially planar corn chip having a minimum size of about eight square inches in a shape of a slice of bread, the method comprising: providing a corn flour dough; adding at least one additive to the dough; drying the dough; extruding the dough into a thin sheet; cutting the sheet into pieces; and cooking the chips.

- 20. (Original) The method of claim 19, wherein the at least one additive is salt.
- 21. (Original) The method of claim 19, further comprising heating the dough and cooling the dough after the step of mixing.
- 22. (Original) The method of claim 19, further comprising adding a food grade acid after the step of drying to form a gel.
- 23. (Original) The method of claim 19, further comprising perforating the dough after the step of extruding the dough.
- 24. (Original) The method of claim 19, further comprising adding a flavoring or a salt after the step of drying.
- 25. (Original) The method of claim 19, further comprising spraying a mixture of oil and at least one of salt, flavorings, seasonings and colorants onto the chips after the step of cooking the chips.